

In re: Application of John J. Park
Serial No. 10/813,199
Filed: March 29, 2004
For: **GOLF TEE HAVING A WIRE SUPPORT FOR A GOLF BALL**

AMENDMENTS

In The Claims

Please amend the Claims in the following manner:

Claim 1. (Currently Amended) A support device for attaching to a head of a golf tee, comprising: a rigid support wire having at least one bend for inserting the ends of the wire into a side of the head of a golf tee, wherein the rigid support wire is folded at a point and having a series of four sets of bends forming a deformable strike portion and a spoon shape portion in which a golf ball is directly supported ~~[[thereon]]~~ ~~[[.]]~~ on the spoon shaped portion of the rigid support wire.

Claim 2 (Canceled)

Claim 3 (Previously Presented) The guide device as defined in claim 1, wherein the rigid guide wire is deflected away from the golf ball prior to a golf club head striking the golf ball.

Claim 4 (Original) The support device as defined in claim 3, wherein said rigid support wire is deflected away when said golf club head strikes the strike portion on the rigid support wire.

Claim 5. (Previously Presented) A support device for attaching to a support base, comprising: a self-supporting base; and a rigid support wire having at least one bend where the ends

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of the wire are attached to the self-supporting base, wherein the rigid support wire is folded at a point and having a series of four sets of bends forming a strike portion and a spoon shape portion in which a golf ball is supported thereon.

Claim 6 (Canceled)

Claim 7 (Previously Presented) The support device as defined in claim 5, wherein the rigid guide wire is deflected away from the golf ball prior to a golf club head striking the golf ball.

Claim 8 (Original) The support device as defined in claim 7, wherein the rigid guide wire is deflected away from the golf ball prior to a golf club head striking the golf ball.

Claim 9 (Original) The support device as defined in claim 5, wherein the self-supporting base is placed on a practice mat.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended) A support device for attaching to a support structure comprised of a tee or a self-supporting base, comprising: a support structure; and a rigid support wire having at least one bend where the ends of the wire are attached to the support structure by means of a pair of springs, wherein the rigid support wire is folded at a point and having a series of four sets of bends forming a deformable strike portion and a spoon shape portion in which a golf ball is directly supported [[thereon]] [[.]] on the spoon shaped portion of the rigid support wire.

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Claim 11 (Canceled)

Claim 12 (Previously Presented) The support device as defined in Claim 10, wherein the rigid guide wire is deflected away from the golf ball prior to a golf club head striking the golf ball.

Claim 13 (Original) The support device as defined in claim 12, wherein the rigid guide wire is deflected away from the golf ball prior to a golf club head striking the golf ball.

Claim 14 (Original) The support device as defined in claim 10, wherein the springs are attached to the support structure by means of a pair of posts extending from the support structure.

Claim 15 (Original) The support device as defined in claim 14, wherein the springs are removeably attached to the posts and the support wire ends.

Claim 16 (Original) The support device as defined in claim 15, wherein the springs are interference fit onto the pair of posts and the support wire ends.